



PATENT  
Serial No: 10/728,847  
Docket No: 1743-228

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Satoru Shimizu, *et al.*  
Sserial No. : 10/728,847  
Filed : December 8, 2003  
For : METHOD FOR PROVIDING POWER PLANT  
MAINTENANCE SERVICES  
Art Unit : 2857 Confirmation No. 9229  
Examiner : Mohamed Charioui

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Mail Stop - Amendment**  
Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2006, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows: